IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

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Docket No.: 119335

For:

HIP MANUFACTURE OF A HOLLOW COMPONENET

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS WITH DECLARATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on June 21, 2004, submitted herewith is the executed combined Declaration and Power of Attorney of the inventor(s). Any necessary Designation of Ten Attorneys for Power of Attorney or Transmittal of Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) is also attached. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No. 157532 for 5130.00 565.00 (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

Also submitted herewith are 5 sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-12) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

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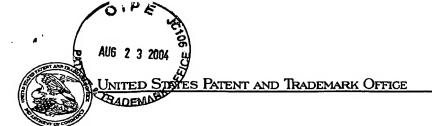
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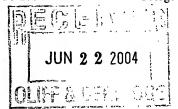
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be made on paper that has a white background (see 37 CFR 1.84 (e)). For example, drawings on graph paper, lined paper, or paper that has a non-white background are not acceptable. See Figure(s) All.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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